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## Church News

September collections are for Assembly's Home Missions. Remit to A. N. Sharp, Drawer H, Atlanta, Ga.; and for the Assembly's Schools and Colleges, Rev. Wm. E. Boggs, Secretary, 400 Spring St., Atlanta, Ga.

### ORPHAN WORK DAY.

A gentleman in one of the busy towns in the coal region of West Virginia writes me: "We can not observe September 25 as 'Orphan Day,' but we will send you our wages of October second."

The delay of Uncle Sam's agents in carrying the appeal of the Orphans' Home of the Synod of Virginia will emphasize our need, and I hope increase the number of those who will respond. I was startled a few days ago on reading in Jeremiah the indictment against Judah: "They plead not the cause of the fatherless, that they may prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge."

I have faith in the members of the churches in the Synod of Virginia. They will share their wages with the fatherless.

Your fellow servant,

Robert H. Fleming.

Lynchburg, Va.

### DR. GAMMON'S BOOK ON BRAZIL.

We advertised as one of the helps which we hoped to use in our Mission Study work this year "The Protestant Invasion of Brazil," which has been written by our beloved missionary, Rev. S. R. Gammon, D. D., and is now in the

hands of Revell & Company for publication. Recent correspondence leads us to fear that the book will not be off the press and ready for use before the first of December, and possibly not before the first of January. Announcement will be made as soon as it is available for use, and then we know that it will be widely in demand in our Church.

S. H. Chester, Secretary.

### ALABAMA.

Central Alabama Presbytery meets October 7, at 7:30 p. m., Akron, Ala., instead of October 6.

Birmingham.—The North Birmingham Church, made vacant by the removal to Anniston of its pastor, Rev. George Lang, has given a call to Rev. G. T. Bourne, of Macon, Ga.

Reform: Rev. J. A. Bryan, of Birmingham, assisted Rev. R. B. McAlpine in a week's meeting at this place, beginning on Saturday Sept. 11, and closing the following Friday. The congregations were excellent and very attentive. The precious seed of the Word was sown in many hearts. There were four professions of faith and one baptism.

### GEORGIA.

Toccoa: Rev. Eugene L. Siler has accepted the call of this church and expects to enter upon his work there the first Sabbath of October. Orange Presbytery has accepted his resignation of the pastorate of the High Point church, dissolved the pastoral relation effective October 1, and granted him a certificate of dismission to Athens Presbytery.

### KENTUCKY.

Rev. Henry W. McLaughlin, who lately resigned the pastorate of the Stuart Robinson Memorial Church, Louisville, is to preach this week before Louisville Presbytery on the theme "Ambassadors for Christ." Immediately after that meeting he goes to his new field, New Providence Church, in Virginia. His removal takes from Louisville Presbytery and Kentucky Synod a capable and useful Presbyter, and from the city one of its most esteemed and faithful ministers. He came in 1903 to a church encumbered with debt, he leaves that church free of encumbrance. Under his business management the people have raised \$7,000 and paid off all obligations. While their yearly revenue for current expenses has grown. As a pastor he has been untiring and his labors have borne fruit to the very last; almost every Sabbath for the past month he has received some one or more into the church. During the six years of his residence here he has received fifteen men about thirty years of age on profession of faith; in all one hundred and ninety-eight persons on profession, and one hundred and five by letter, a total of above three hundred members. He has been a missionary pastor, and has led his church in organizing a mission on Seventh street, and another which has become the Berry Boulevard Church. Besides this they

have supported an efficient city missionary, and a foreign missionary. In these efforts and in all his work he has had the cooperation of a loyal people, and the liberal support and encouragement of his well known elder, Col. Bennett H. Young, and his devoted wife. Mr. McLaughlin's new field is one of the finest old country churches in the South; and there is a peculiar fitness in his succession in that honorable line of ministers who have preached the word there, men like Dr. Vaughan, Dr. Junkin and Dr. Samuel Brown, the husband of Mary Moore, for Mrs. McLaughlin is the great grandchild of that famous captive of Abb's Valley. The graves of the Rev. Samuel Brown, D. D., and his wife, who was the Indian captive Mary Moore of Abb's Valley, are in the New Providence cemetery. Dr. Brown was pastor of the church for twenty-two years, from 1796 till his death in 1818. There went out from his and her home seven sons, five of them into the ministry of the Presbyterian Church; another became an elder and another a deacon. The ministers were Rev. Dr. James Moore Brown, Mrs. McLaughlin's grandfather, a missionary in the Great Kanawba Valley and pastor at Charleston, W. Va., for more than twenty years; Rev. Dr. Samuel Rutherford Brown, long pastor of Windy Cove, in Virginia; Rev. Joseph Alene Brown, of Texas; Bro. Henry Brown, of Florida; Rev. Dr. Wm. Brown, clerk of the Assembly and editor of the Central Presbyterian. Mary Moore's daughter married Rev. Dr. Morrison, who succeeded his father-in-law as pastor of New Providence, in 1818, and so remained till 1856, and then kept school there till his death in 1870. He was brother-in-law of five ministers and father of two noble ministers' wives: Mrs. Robert L. Dabney and Mrs. Benj. M. Smith. It is the prayer of fond parents' hearts that God will yet honor the New Providence pastorate by calling from its manse their little Samuel and his brothers into the holy ministry. This hope has taken them there.

### LOUISIANA.

Baton Rouge: Practically every church in the city was injured last week in the fearful storm which prevailed, the Presbyterian Church among them.

Wilson: The Presbyterian Church of this place was badly damaged by the great storm of last week.

French Work: Rev. P. Ph. Briol, evangelist to the French in Louisiana, baptized ten persons at Gancaster, Calcasieu Parish, last week, two adults and eight children, all of them Canadian French.

Clinton: Silliman Collegiate Institute suffered to the extent of hundreds of dollars from the storm. The roof of the dormitory was partially destroyed. Many of the stately oaks, beech and magnolias, which were the pride of the Institute and of the community, were laid low.

Governor Glenn at Synod: Arrangements are being made for a visit of Governor Glenn to Alexandria at the time the Synod of Louisiana will be in session in November. It is proposed to have a